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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Records - Arrested Individuals and Victims of Crimes - Limitation of**
3 **Access**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring a custodian of public records to deny disclosure of
5 current addresses of certain persons unless an applicant declares under penalty
6 of perjury that the information is to be used for certain purposes and is not to be
7 used to sell a product or service; and generally relating to the inspection of police
8 records for arrested individuals and victims of crimes.

9 BY adding to
10 Article - State Government
11 Section 10-616(r)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1999 Replacement Volume)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article - State Government**

17 10-616.

18 (R) SUBJECT TO § 10-618(F) OF THIS SUBTITLE, A CUSTODIAN SHALL DENY
19 INSPECTION OF A RECORD OF ARREST OR COMPLAINT CONDUCTED BY THE
20 ATTORNEY GENERAL, A STATE'S ATTORNEY, A CITY OR COUNTY ATTORNEY, A POLICE
21 DEPARTMENT, OR A SHERIFF THAT DISCLOSES THE CURRENT ADDRESS OF AN
22 ARRESTED INDIVIDUAL OR VICTIM OF A CRIME, UNLESS THE APPLICANT DECLARES
23 UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT:

- 24 (1) THE INSPECTION IS MADE FOR ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:
- 25 (I) SCHOLARLY;
- 26 (II) JOURNALISTIC;
- 27 (III) POLITICAL;

1 (IV) GOVERNMENTAL; OR

2 (V) INVESTIGATIVE, IF THE APPLICANT IS A LICENSED PRIVATE
3 DETECTIVE AS DESCRIBED IN § 13-302 OF THE BUSINESS OCCUPATIONS AND
4 PROFESSIONS ARTICLE; AND

5 (2) THE ADDRESS INFORMATION OBTAINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS
6 SECTION IS NOT TO BE USED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO SELL A PRODUCT OR
7 SERVICE TO ANY INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
9 October 1, 2000.